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December 16, 2002

Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
P.O. Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING  
6500' ZONE, RESERVOIR A,  
Stella Field  
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of PAXTON OIL COMPANY ("Applicant") for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **6500' ZONE, Reservoir A** in Stella Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana :

1. To dissolve the units numbered 135, 386, 396, 397 and 408 created by Office of Conservation Order No. 27-A, effective December 9, 1941, only as they affect the proposed 6500' Zone, Reservoir A and to simultaneously therewith create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 46 acres for the exploration for and the production of oil and gas from the 6500' Zone, Reservoir A in Stella Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana; and
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral interest and other property interests within the unit so created, in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation; and
3. To designate a unit operator; and
4. To designate a unit well for the 6500 RA SUA; and
5. To provide that any wells drilled to the 6500' Zone, Reservoir A, shall comply with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
6. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The 6500' Zone, Reservoir A in Stella Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as those oil and gas bearing sands encountered between the depths of 6,510' and 7,000' (electric log measurements) in the Paxton Oil Company - Hero Lands Company No. 1 well located in section 18, Township 14 South - Range 24 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Joe B. Adams, 4520 Jamestown Ave. Ste. 6, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Adams (225) 929-6097 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

A pre-application Conference was scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 26, 2002. No Interested Party requested the party and therefore none was held. This application is being filed under Rule 7 of the Revised Rules of Procedure.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. The list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties is being sent to the Commissioner of Conservation only. A copy of this letter and the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for POSTING of a copy of the legal notice of the hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause the LEGAL NOTICE to be PUBLISHED in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the Stella Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice.

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Also enclosed is a check, in the amount of \$ 755.00, payable to the Louisiana Office of Conservation, which represents the required hearing fee.

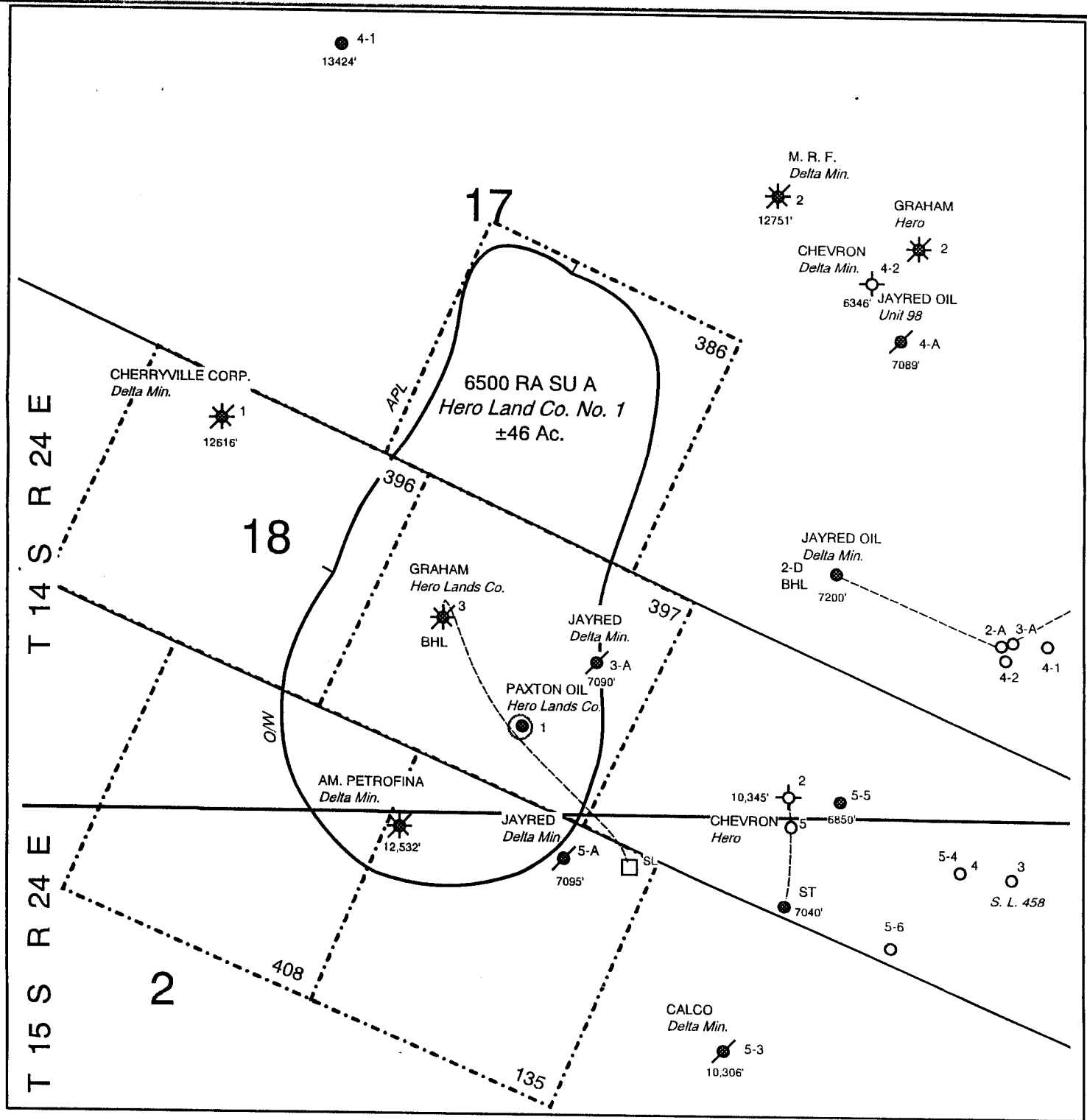
Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joe B. Adams". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Joe B. Adams

encl:

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson ( w/ encls. )  
Paxton Oil Company ( w/ encls. )  
All Interested Owners, Interested Parties and  
Represented Parties



Units to be Dissolved



SCALE IN 1000 FEET

○ = Proposed Unit Well

Docket No. 02-

Exhibit No.

**PAXTON OIL COMPANY**

**Stella Field**

Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

**PROPOSED UNIT**

**6500' Zone RA**

Date:

Joe B. Adams Consulting Geologist